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25X1 1. a. Hq 14th Inf Div was in a barracks at VILNYUS (A (J) 86) until April 1949. No detailed information was secured .*

25X1 b. Other units stationed in the VILNYUS area:

16th (Lithuanian) Inf Div **
4th (Soviet) Inf Div ***
132nd Inf Regt (assigned to guarding PWs) Ø

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2. a. A guard battalion (about 250 troops) of the 4th Div was quartered in the reconditioned barracks in the center of VILNYUS, south of the Vilya River and west of the confluence of the Vileika and Vilya Rivers. The battalion furnished guard personnel for military buildings in the city.

b. A motor transport and repair shop company of the 4th Div was quartered in a barracks located north of the above-mentioned barracks and north of the Vilya river.

c. A regimental headquarters and a Lithuanian unit with T 34 tanks, Soviet self-propelled guns, and 76.2-mm self-propelled antitank guns were quartered in the barracks on the northern edge of VILNYUS (near the stadium). Both headquarters and unit belonged to the 14th Div.

25X1 Comment:

a. General The report appears quite credible.

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* b. Hq 14th Rifle Div The following previous information is available on rifle divisions with the numerical designation "14".

(1) 14th Petsamo-Kirkenes-Pomerania Rifle Div: Activated in Moscow MD before the war; transferred to the Kola Peninsula in June 1941; repeatedly identified on the Finnish Front up to the fall of 1944; committed in Germany during the winter of 1944/1945; in the DANZIG area up to April 1946; identified in White-Sea MD (possibly the Fourteenth Army) in April 1946, according to [redacted] newspaper reports.

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(2) 14th Gds Viistula Redbanner Rifle Div: Known as a peacetime division in the VILNYS area, Carpathian MD; assigned to the Fifth Gds Army in Silesia in March 1945; identified in Hungary in October 1946; no information thereafter.

(3) 14th MVD Div: Location and date of activation unknown; assigned to the Third White Russian Front in East Prussia at the end of the war; assumed to be located in the Baltic MD from doubtful information obtained in 1946. [redacted] statement that the headquarters of a 14th Rifle Div is located in the VILNYS area is believed. It is most likely Hq 14th MVD Div.

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** c. 16th (Lithuanian) Rifle Div The report confirms the VILNYS 16th (Lithuanian) Rifle Div until April 1949. The division was last identified in the VILNYS area in December 1948.

*** d. The following information is available on rifle divisions with the numerical designation "4":

(1) 4th Rechnitsa-Kalish-Brandenburg Rifle Div: Activated in TBILISI, Transcaucasus MD; assigned to the Sixty-Ninth Army in Germany at the end of the war; no information thereafter.

(2) 4th Gds Budapest Redbanner Rifle Div: Activated in LINZ, White Russian MD; in Austria in February 1947 as a component unit of the Fifth Gds Army; reported transferred to the Soviet Union (presumably White Russian MD) in 1947.

Assuming the accuracy of [redacted] statement on the 4th Inf Div (from talks with fellow PWs), the 4th Gds Rifle Div is most likely to be located in the VILNYS area.

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25X1 e. 125rd Rifle Regt It can be safely assumed that the reporting [redacted] referred to the 132d MVD Regt, since no regular field units have been observed assigned to guarding PWs. 132d MVD Regt was assigned to the Third White Russian Front in East Prussia at the end of the war. It appears quite credible that the regiment was not so stationed in the VILNYS area. [redacted] reported a 261st MVD Regt located in VILNYS in March 1949. According to the last information available, this regiment was under the Third White Russian Front in December 1944, and was assigned to the fighting of partisans in the VILNYS area. It is considered possible that both the 132d MVD Regt and the 261st MVD Regt may be now assigned to the 14th MVD Div in the VILNYS area.

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